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Dr. Seeman has indicated that a conference with you will probably be necessary at some point during the preparation of applications. After you have had a chance to study the enclosures you may want to schedule a meeting here and we can discuss this item as well as the other application being prepared by you at this time.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please give me a call.

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Enclosures

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Sincerely,



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RE: AMINE-OLEFIN-ALCOHOL RELEASE AGENTS  
Jeffrey Ira Seeman PM 703

Dear George:

Enclosed is a lengthy disclosure prepared by Dr. Jeff Seeman of the Organic Chemical Synthesis Group. The disclosure is related to flavor release agents for smoking products and more specifically to quaternary ammonium salts useful as tobacco flavorants. Also enclosed is a copy of his earlier disclosure of the invention which was apparently in the conceptual stage when submitted. The invention has been fully developed at this stage, and we believe there is sufficient data and subjective smoking results to prepare at least one application and possibly more.

At page seven of the disclosure, Dr. Seeman has envisioned four general decomposition pathways that may occur when the compounds are present on a product intended for smoking. Whether this concept will support more than one application is a decision I shall leave to you. We are, however, of the opinion that the disclosure may possibly support more than one application.

Although Dr. Seeman has provided copies of most of the references cited in his disclosure, I imagine additional searching by your people may be necessary. Since nicotine release compositions are included in the invention, I am enclosing a copy of an in-house search done last year on nicotine-release methodology. If you need copies of any of the patents I'll be happy to send them. Several other patents and literature references considered to be background information are enclosed. Most relate specifically to heterocyclic flavorants.